Autistic Spectrum Disorder (PDD)

Children's Special Health Parent's Sheet

What is Autistic Spectrum Disorder (PDD)?

Pervasive Developmental Disorder (PDD) demonstrates some degree of qualitative impairment of communication, and restricted, repetitive, and stereotypic patterns of behaviors, interests, and activities. Asperger's Syndrome, Autistic Disorder (AD), and Pervasive Developmental Disorder – Not otherwise specified (NOS) are generally included under the umbrella of Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD). PDD's are neurogenetic disorders and may coexist with other developmental disabilities (DD) such as mental retardation, inattention, hyperactivity, and epilepsy. Types of ASD/PDD are:

- <u>Autistic Disorder (AD):</u> mildest form, may overlap with other language, behavior, and learning disabilities (i.e. semantic-pragmatic, language disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, or right hemisphere learning disorder)
- <u>Asperger's Syndrome (AS)</u>; poor peer relationships, lack of empathy, and a tendency to over focus on certain topics, associated with typical IQ and typical language skills
- Rett Syndrome: neurodegenerative disorder recently associated with a defined etiology (gene mutation MECP2), mostly in girls, onset 1-2 years of age, characterized by loss of purposeful hand skills accompanied by stereotypic hand movements, particularly hand writing, gross motor, and coordination skills associated with ataxia and tremor, language and cognitive skills, and social interaction skills
- <u>Disintegrative Disorder:</u> extremely rare, later onset (>24 mo. of age), more profound losses in language, social, play, and motor skills

What services will CSH cover?

- Only **providers** listed on the Eligibility Letter will be paid
- Labs/Tests must be performed by a Wyoming Medicaid provider
- Well Child Checks (coverage limited to Pediatrician) according to AAP Periodicity Schedule
- Medications
 - None
- Equipment/Supplies
 - None

Contact CSH for questions regarding additional medication and/or equipment/supplies

Minimum requirements for coverage to continue with CSH:

- Compliance of medical care and care coordination
- Annual review with Public Health Nurse, financial eligibility
- Please keep your Public Health Nurse informed of any changes throughout the year for example: address, provider, diagnosis and/or insurance coverage
- Keep in contact with the local Public Health Office for additional requirements





